MEETING OF THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS
27 JUNE 1957

ORDER OF BUSINESS

9:30 a.m. 1. CONVENE, ROOM 7000 INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING.

9:32 a.m. 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS WILL BE MAILED AS SOON AS THEY ARE READY.

9:33 a.m. 3. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 12, Thursday 19 September 1957 (?)

(Letter from Mrs. John A. Graham)

9:35 a.m. 4. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN ON SHIPSTEAD-LUCE ACT APPLICATIONS SINCE 23 MAY 1957 MEETING (See Appendix 1).

9:40 a.m. 5. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN ON OLD GEORGETOWN ACT APPLICATIONS SINCE 23 MAY 1957 MEETING (See Appendix 2).

9:45 a.m. 6. HERALDIC BRANCH, ARMY DEPARTMENT - Proposed Seal for the President's Council on Youth Fitness (Lt. Col. Jas. S. Cook, Jr.; Mr. Thomas H. Jones, sculptor)

10:00 a.m. 7. CORREGIDOR-BATAAN MEMORIAL (Mr. John Harbeson, architect; Capt. Samuel G. Kelly, Plans Consultant)

10:30 a.m. 8. BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS SUBMISSION - Woodrow Wilson Bridge at Jones Point, Alexandria (Mr. H. J. Spelman, Regional Eng'r. in chg. of rd. constr. in Eastern Nat'l. Forests & Parks; Mr. E. L. Erickson, Bridge Eng'r.; Mr. C. D. Geisler, Div. Bridge Eng'r.; Bur. of Pub. Rds.; Mr. A. Gordon Lorimer, arch.; Mr. Jas. Exum, Bridge Eng'r. of Howard, Neddles, Tanner & Burgendorf; Mr. W. M. Haussmann, landscape Arch., National Capital Parks)

11:00 a.m. 9. PUBLIC BUILDINGS SERVICE SUBMISSIONS (Mr. L. L. Hunter, Supervising Arch.)

(a) Federal Office Bldg. 5

(b) Federal Office Bldg. 8

(c) Federal Office Bldg. 9

(d) Federal Office Bldg. 10

12:30 p.m. 10. BRITISH EMBASSY - New Chancery Bldg. (Mr. L. C. Glass, Head of Administration at Embassy)

12:55 p.m. RECESS

1:00 p.m. LUNCH IN SECRETARY'S DINING ROOM

2:15 p.m. 11. D. C. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SUBMISSIONS (Mr. C. I. Sawyer, Chief, Off. of Plann., Design & Eng'ring; Mr. Edmond Burke, Supervising Bridge Design Eng'r.; Mr. John Grady; Mr. Francis L. Tormey, Jr., architect):

(a) Anacostia Freeway-Pedestrian Overpass at 15th St., SE (Mr. Kelly, Eng'r. of Baker-Wibberley)

(b) Anacostia Freeway-Firth Stirling Structure (Mr. Kelly, Eng'r. of Baker-Wibberley)

(c) Anacostia Freeway-South Capitol St. & Overlook Avenue (Mr. McPherson of Ewin Engineering Co.)

3:00 p.m. 12. SIMON BOLIVAR MONUMENT - Landscape Plans. Mr. de Weldon.

13. SHIPSTEAD-LUCE ACT SUBMISSION-Formal:

(a) SL 1995 - 2700 F St., NW - Alterations & addn. to Watergate Inn.

(b) SL 1996 - 1125 Pa. Ave., NW - Alterations for D. C. Transit (Raleigh Hotel)

14. LEGISLATION (See Appendix 3)

15. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION:

(a) General Lane's letter re street lighting designs for D. C.

(b) Decoration of Public Buildings.

(c) Status report on Potomac River crossing at Constitution Ave. (Bridge/Tunnel).

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Memorandum Minutes of the Meeting of
the Commission of Fine Arts, held in Washington, D. C. on
27 June 1957

The Commission met, pursuant to notice, at 9:30 a.m., with David E. Finley, Chairman, presiding.

Present were: David E. Finley, Chairman
Felix de Weldon
Mrs. Emily Muir
Douglas Orr
Elbert Peets
Wm. G. Perry

L.R. Wilson, Secretary
Susan E. Bennett, Admn. Asst.
Gilbert Halasz, Stenotypist

I. Administration

1. Minutes

The Chairman stated that the completion of minutes of previous meetings would be delayed due to workload on the staff. Records will be kept and the minutes completed at the earliest date possible.

2. Date of next meeting

12 September 1957

II. Submissions

1. Commissioners of the District of Columbia

a. Department of Licenses and Inspection

1. The Secretary reported that the Panel of Architects assisting in the processing of building applications, under the Shipstead-Luce Act, had been very helpful. He called attention to the applications on Appendix 1, and after considering them the members confirmed the actions of the Panel. Exhibit A.

The Secretary also submitted a revised sketch for the proposed remodelling of The Water Gate Inn which faces Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway at F Street, N.W.; also the proposal to change from wood to metal window frames which the D. C. Transit Company wished to install in their first floor offices in the Raleigh Hotel, facing Pennsylvania Avenue. He stated that these two applications had been carefully considered by the Shipstead-Luce Panel which recommended approval in both instances. This action was confirmed.

2. Thirty-four applications under the Old Georgetown Act were processed by the Old Georgetown Board, as shown on Appendix 2, and the actions were confirmed by the Commission. Exhibit B.

II. Submissions (continued)

b. Department of Highways and Traffic

1. Anacostia Freeway-Structure at Firth-Sterling Avenue, S.E.
2. -Bridge at South Capital and Overlook Ave. S.E.
3. -Overpass at 16th Street, S.E.

Mr. G. I. Sawyer, Chief, Office of Planning, Design and Engineering, explained the architectural designs for the proposed structure at Firth-Sterling Avenue; a bridge at South Capital and Overlook Avenue; and the pedestrian overpass at 16th Street. After discussion of the details, the three submissions were approved. Exhibit C.

2. Department of the Army, Heraldic Branch

a. Seal for President's Council on Youth Fitness

Lt. Col. James S. Cook, jr., Head of the Heraldic Branch, Office of the Quartermaster General, showed a black and white drawing of the proposed seal for the President's Council on Youth Fitness. He explained this was not a medal but a seal to be used on all documents, and when completed in final form would be about 2 inches in diameter. It was the opinion of the members that there was too much detail on the design and when reduced it would be impossible to read the inscription. After a full discussion, the members requested the sculptor, Mr. Jones, to try to simplify the design and bring it back for consideration at the September meeting. Exhibit D.

3. Corregidor-Bataan Memorial Commission

a. Corregidor-Bataan Memorial Design

Captain Samuel G. Kelly, Plans Consultant for the Memorial Commission, presented the drawings for the winning design in the competition for the Corregidor-Bataan War Memorial, which was made by the firm of Naramore, Bain, Brady and Johanson of Seattle. According to the firm, the symbolism of the design represents the universal gesture of mankind in supplication to whatever God he believes in. The members greatly admired the drawings of the memorial and directed the Secretary to write a letter to the Chairman of the Corregidor-Bataan Memorial Commission to that effect. Exhibit E.

4. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads

a. Woodrow Wilson Bridge at Jones Point

Mr. H.J. Spelman, Regional Engineer in charge of road construction in Eastern National Forests and Parks, presented the drawings for the Woodrow Wilson Bridge at Jones Point, Alexandria, and then called upon the architect, Mr. Tormey, to explain them. The members were very interested in the design and the way the architect and engineers had solved their problems. In general the members felt the bridge would be a handsome structure and unanimously approved the design. Exhibit F.

5. Public Buildings Service
General Services Administration

a. Federal Office Building #6

Mr. J. W. Stenhouse, of Faulkner, Kingsbury and Stenhouse, Architects, presented and explained the drawings and model for FOB #6. After a discussion of the architectural details, etc., the members approved the elevation design. Exhibit G.

b. Federal Office Building #8

Mr. Wm. J. Bain, of Naramore, Bain, Brady and Johanson, Architects, presented each of the members with a brochure showing a detailed plan of the first floor interior of the building, and photographs of the exterior marked 3A and 3B. After discussion and study of the plans, the members expressed their preference for plan 3B which was approved. Exhibit G.

c. Federal Office Building #9

Mr. Gye Obata, of Helmuth, Obata and Kassaubaum, Architects, presented and explained the model for FOB #9, the Civil Service Commission building. The members thought the model extremely interesting, and expressed the hope that the design for the building could be worked out with the general spirit of the model. The Commission believed that the design as submitted was not within the best tradition of buildings in Washington. It was recommended that the design be resubmitted. Exhibit G.

d. Federal Office Building #10

Mr. J. Roy Carroll, jr. of Carroll, Grisdale and Allen, Architects, explained the model of FOB #10. Because this building is on an axis with the Archives Building, and because of the great bulk of proposed structure, it was the opinion of the members that the building as presented was too overpowering for the area in which it was planned to build it. It was also the opinion of the members that if this building were constructed as proposed, it would destroy the opportunity for later cultural development of the general area. They recommended, therefore, that the plans be carefully studied and resubmitted at the September meeting. Exhibit G.

6. Gift to the United States from the Venezuelan Government

a. Simon Bolivar Monument-landscape plans

Mr. de Weldon explained the landscape plans for the Simon Bolivar Monument, and after a discussion of the general plans,

the members expressed the belief that there should be a fence around the grounds to keep people from walking on the grass; also that the plans should be discussed with the National Capital Parks. It was agreed to approve the plans in general with the understanding that Mr. de Weldon and Mr. Feets were empowered to make minor changes after conferring with the National Capital Parks.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

L. R. Wilson
Secretary

APPENDIX 1

4. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN ON SHIPSTEAD-LUCE ACT APPLICATIONS SINCE 23 MAY 1957 MEETING:

NO	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT	ACTION
1980 R 1975	119 Indep. Ave., SE Lincoln 5 & 10	1 s-f, 23-3/4 sq-ft sign	App., 5/28/57
1981	400 N. Jersey Ave., NW Acacia Mutual Life Ins. Co.	1 s-f, 3 sq-ft sign	App., subj. to the subm. of full size sample of ltr', which appears too crowded in sketch subm., 5/28/57
1982	1313 E St., NW Cock N Bull, Inc.	1 24-sq-ft, s-f neon sign, gold	App., subj. to the elimination of the exposed down-lights over the door. Recom. white neon instead of gold. It is assumed that letters will be illuminated on back to create silhouette effect, 23 May 1957
1983	615 Pa. Ave., NW IBM Corp.	2 s-f, non-illum. signs, 1.56 sq-ft each; 1 s-f, 21 sq-ft neon sign.	App. Recom. all ltr'ing o of central sign be black on white background, 6/6/57
1984	8132 West Beach Dr., NW Mr & Mrs D. R. Lawson	2-story addn. in rear; enlarge opening in masonry wall, remove window, new opening in frame wall	App. as revised on drawings dtd Rev. 5/31/57, 6/12/57
1985	452-462 Md. Ave., SW Joseph Homes Parking Lot	1 d-f, 30'x6' sign; 2 s-f signs, 6x4' & 3x4'	Disap. Recom. signs be kept approx. within 25 sq-ft limit, 5/28/57
1986	2152 P St., NW Martin's Dry Clean. & Laundry	Change copy & repaint 4 exist. s-f signs	Disap. Recom. signs be kept approx within 25 sq-ft limit, 5/28/57
1987	4347 Colo. Ave., NW Richard H. Irving	Erect 1-story brick 1-family dwelling	App., 6/21/57
1989	309-10th St., SW Cities Service Oil Co.	1 d-f illuminated 57 sq-ft sign (28½ sq-ft each side (Gas Station)	App., 6/21/57
1990 R 1940 R 1734	1 Indiana Ave., NW Natl. Sav. & Trust Co.	2 illuminated signs, 12 sq-ft each, bronze background with white plastic ltrs.	App., 6/21/57

Appendix A

APPENDIX 1 (Continued)

NO	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT	ACTION
1991 1985	452-62 Md. Ave., SW Joseph Homes (Parking lot)	1 s-f, 24 sq-ft painted sign, orange, green & white	App., 6/21/57
1992	817 Market Space, NW Old Antique House	1 s-f sign	Ret'd. for further inf: no method of attach. of ltrs. to bldg. is shown; no indication of background behind ltring. is shown; photos are inadequate to show whole face of bldg. with sign attached; dimensions on drawing & application do not agree, 6/21/57
1993	1125 Pa. Ave., NW D. C. Transit	Replace exist. wood frame windows with new metal frame windows. No change in size of openings, sketch attached for fine arts consideration	App'd. in principle, subj. to uniformity in treatment of 3 openings involved, as detailed in perspective sketch. Approval of signs not included in this appl. Note: Exist. aluminum frame of door does not agree with sketch of proposed scheme. No photos or scale drawing were submitted with application, 6/21/57
1994	7775-17th St., NW Marjorie Webster Junior College	Erect 1-story masonry addn. to dining hall	App., 6/21/57

APPENDIX 2

5. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN ON OLD GEORGETOWN ACT APPLICATIONS SINCE 23 MAY 1957 MEETING:

NO	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT	ACTION
1865	3021 N St., NW Mr & Mrs F. H. Brooke	Erect 6 flagstone steps & a portion of a retain. wall (the retain. wall is half on private prop. & half on publ. prop.	App., 5/28/57
1866	1067 Wisc. Ave., NW Universal Plating Co.	1 s-f, 24 sq-ft sign	Ret'd. for additional inf; drawing is too rough to judge & is not to scale; style of ltr. should be shown; location of sign on bldg. should be indicated, with method of appl. to wall, 5/28/57
1867	3413 Q St., NW Mr & Mrs R. P. Wms.	Add bathrm., alter kitchen, add entrance steps, new wiring & heating; 7'-3" wide entr. steps to extend 3'-2" beyond bldg. line	App., 6/4/57
1868	1058-76 30th St., NW Golden Comm. Corp.	Erect concrete ramp from property line to parking lot	Returned. See attached letter dtd. 6/12/57, 6/12/57
1869	2712 "O" St., NW Mrs Ruth Adams	Rev. to permit B-22519 to apply brick veneer in lieu of 1 x 10 wood siding as shown on plan	Ret'd. Draw's. should indicate br. wall instead of wood siding & Morgan door frame M-45768, as app'd. in OG 1797, should be indicated on draw's. 5/28/57
1870	2720 Olive Ave., NW Frederick Allman	Addn. & alterations to dwelling	App'd. provided drawing showing profiles of cornice is subm., for cons., 6/18/57
1871	3040 Q St., NW Phillip Potter	4' cedar sapling fence	App., 6/4/57
1872	2527-31 Q St., NW Sandoz Realty Co.	4' chain link fence	Disapproved; suggest wood sapling, w. i. or br. fence, 6/4/57
1873	3108 P St., NW Christian Herter	Rebuild exist. rear wood porch, substitute new masonry foundation posts for present wood posts. Relocate & rebuild wood steps	App., 6/4/57
1874	3071 Canal St., NW Jos. Addison, Jr.	Placing new door frames & sash in exist. front wall openings. No. chg. in size; (no chg. to facade on Canal St.	App'd. Photos to be submitted when drawings are picked up, 6/4/57

Appendix B

APPENDIX 2 (Continued)

NO.	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT	ACTION
1875	2833 M St., NW Cities Service Gas Station	1 d-f, 57.27 sq-ft sign to replace exist. 56½ sq-ft sign	App., 6/11/57
1876 R 1856	1248-36th St., NW Stephen J. Barabas	Rev. plans app'd. under permit B-16549 to show cooling tower of air cond'ing equipment & to provide screening of same to make tower less visible from a public highway, as recommended by the CFA	App., 6/4/57
1877 R 1860	3252 Prospect Ave., NW Mrs. Monique Chesneau	Replace window sash. No change in size. no structural change	App., 6/4/57
1878 R 1856	1067 Wisc. Ave., NW Universal Plating Co.	1 s-f, 24 sq-ft sign	App'd. provided ltrs. are all 12" in height & sign is placed as indicated on photo submitted, 6/11/57
1879 R 1869	2712 "O" St., NW Mrs. Ruth Adams	To apply br. veneer in lieu of 1 x 10 wood siding as shown on plan as per permit B-22519. No other changes	App., 6/4/57
1880 R 1693 R 1531	3419 Q St., NW Mrs. Mary H. Renshaw	Rev. N. I. Hailing only. Permit issued 9/20/56	App., 6/11/57
1881	1532-32nd St., NW T. S. Clark	6'-6" rustic cedar sapling fence	App., 6/11/57
1882	3047 West Lane Keys, NW Atlantic Investment Corp. (A. L. Wheeler, Pres.)	2-story br. dwelling; 6' br. & wood fences	Ret'd. for further inf. on elevations. Treatment of garage openings not clear. Suggest elevations be drawn at same scale as plan to afford consideartion of det's.6/11/57
1883	3049 West Lane Keys, NW (Same as 1882)	2-story br. dwelling; 6'-3" solid concrete block with br. retain. wall; 6' br. & wood fences	Same as 1882
1884	3108 M St., NW Sparkle, Inc. (Cleaners)	1 s-f, 24 sq-ft, non-illuminated sign	App'd., provided sign be located in panel immediately above present door & show windows, 6/18/57
1885 R 1841	1259 Wisc. Ave., NW Dr. J. Greenwood	Chg. method of attachment of sign erected on permit B-22888. 8' above sidewalk	App'd., for raising & relocating sign as shown on revised drawing, 6/18/57

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NO	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT	ACTION
1886	1620-33rd St., NW Andree Fosset	Tear off exist. roof. Replace it with same material (tin) & in same manner as originally installed	App., 6/18/57
1887	1230-29th St., NW N. G. Caldwell	7' wood & brick fence	App., 6/18/57
1888	1230-29th St., NW N. G. Caldwell	Erect uncovered wood stoop & steps on rear to yard grade-provide concrete slab under on fill & supporting wall	App., 6/18/57
1889	2918 Olive Ave., NW Herbert S. Marks	Air condition house. Bld. porch at rear. Bld. storage closets in basement & bedrms. & top landing. Replace 3 windows as exist. type. Replace new toilet & lay basin in bathrm. Add wooden deck, 5' wide at rear	App'd. provided new 1st story front windows are made the same as exist. 6-lights-over-6 2nd windows shown in phto. & marked for retention; also that vertical dimension of lights be greater than horizontal dimension in new window on rear, 6/18/57
1890	3800 Reservoir Rd., NW Georgetown U.	Addn. to Animal Bldg.	App., 6/18/57
1891	1215-36th St., NW Georgetown U.	Raze office bldg. in entirety, 2-story masonry	App., 6/18/57
1892	1215-36th St., NW Georgetown U.	Raze 1-story masonry garage in entirety	App., 6/18/57
1893	3524 N St., NW Georgetown U.	Raze brick smoke stack in entirety	App., 6/18/57
1894	3524 N St., NW Georgetown U.	Raze brick, 1-story, incinerator	App., 6/18/57
1895	3523 Prosp. Ave., NW Georgetown U.	Raze 1-story, transite & wood office bldg.	App., 6/18/57
1896	3525 Prosp. Ave., NW Georgetown U.	Raze old 2-story masonry school house in entirety	App., 6/18/57
1897	2918 Olive Ave., NW Herbert S. Marks	Replace exist. wood fences with new 7' wood fences	App., 6/18/57
1899	1206-30th St., NW	1 s-f, non-illuminated sign, 18½' x 9"	App., 6/18/57

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS
7000 INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

11 July 1957

Dear General Lane:

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All the designs were approved by the Commission essentially as presented. The use of perspective drawings of the various projects greatly facilitated the study and understanding of the problem. Drawings were presented for designs at the Following locations:

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2. Underpass at Eleventh Street, S. E. Interchange.

3. Overpass at Oxon Run Bay Bridge.

4. Overpass at Suitland Parkway Interchange.

5. Overpass at Chesapeake Avenue, S. E.

6. Overpass at South Capitol Street.

7. Overpass at Portland Street, S. E.

8. Overpass at Firth Stirling Avenue, S.E.

9. Overpass (pedestrian) at 16th Street, S.E.

For the Commission of Fine Arts:

Sincerely yours,

David E. Finley
Chairman

Brigadier General ThomasA. Lane
District of Columbia Engineer Commissioner
District Building
Washington 4, D. C.

Exhibit C

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6. Overpass at South Dakota Avenue.

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8. Overpass at Fifth Pilling Avenue, S.E.

9. Overpass (Central Ave) at Benning Road, S.E.

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Sincerely yours,

L. R. Wilson
Secretary

Lt. Col. James S. Cook, jr.
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Secretary

Honorable Emmet O'Neal
Chairman
Corregidor-Bataan Memorial Commission
Woodward Apartments
Washington, D. C.

Exhibit E

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS
7020 INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

1 July 1937

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1 July 1957

Dear Mr. Spelman:

At the meeting on 27 June 1957, the members of the Commission of Fine Arts were happy to confer with you and your associates in the Bureau of Public Roads, and to have Mr. A. Gordon Lorimer, architect, explain the sketches and drawings for the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge over the Potomac River at Jones Point, Alexandria, Virginia. The members considered the general design of the bridge as submitted well-studied and very handsome, and were glad to give it their approval.

We will be glad to confer further with you about any of the details you may care to submit as the development of the design progresses into the working stages. We hope you will do so especially in respect to the features composing the Wilson Memorial.

Sincerely yours,

L. R. Wilson
Secretary

Mr. H. J. Spelman
Regional Engineer
Bureau of Public Roads
1440 Columbia Pike
Arlington 4, Virginia

Exhibit F

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE DISTRICT ENGINEER BUILDING
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

1 July 1957

Dear Mr. Spelman:

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Exhibit F

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS
7000 INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

11 July 1957

Dear Mr. McConihe:

The members of the Commission of Fine Arts were glad to meet with Mr. L. L. Hunter and your architectural consultants on 27 June 1957, in order to discuss the progress of the designs for four Federal Office Buildings that are projected for Southwest and Northwest Washington.

With the exception of Federal Office Building 9, it was the members' opinion that progress is being made in developing the design of the plans and facades of the individual buildings. They felt, however, that considerably more effort will now be required on the parts of all concerned, to give the three buildings in the Southwest a desirable uniformity of height, scale and architectural detail in order to prevent them from becoming merely a series of isolated modern office buildings. These buildings are, of course, a group that should be inherently related architecturally because they occupy a most important section of the monumental plan of the National Capital and they are counterparts of groups of buildings already constructed or contemplated on the North side of the Mall. This is especially true in the case of Federal Office Building 10 which occupies a site opposite the National Archives, and should properly be designed to be occupied by an important Department or Agency. We will, of course, be glad to continue to work with you in trying to achieve the best possible solutions for the treatments of Federal Office Buildings 6, 8, and 10.

The members of the Commission were unanimous in their opinion that the developed facade studies for Federal Office Building 9 did not show the special qualities that the designs of buildings for governmental use should possess. They especially felt that the possibilities inherent in the mass of the building as shown in the small scale model and in the preliminary mass facades, had not been realized. We hope you will have the architects review the design with the aim of developing a building that will have integrity of its own but still harmonize in scale and detail with the architectural spirit of this city.

The next meeting of the Commission will be held on 12 September 1957. The architects of the Commission have expressed a willingness to meet with your representatives at a mutually agreeable time and place to consider problems that may arise in the interim period before September.

Sincerely yours,

David E. Finley
Chairman

Honorable F. Moran McConihe
Commissioner of Public Buildings Service
General Services Administration
Washington 25, D. C.

Exhibit G

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS
7000 INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

11 July 1957

Dear Mr. McGonigle:

The members of the Commission of Fine Arts were glad to meet with Mr. L. Hunter and your architectural consultants on 27 June 1957 in order to discuss the progress of the designs for four Federal Office Buildings that are projected for Southwest and Northwest Washington.

With the exception of Federal Office Building 7, it was the members' opinion that progress is being made in developing the design of the plans and facades of the individual buildings. They feel, however, that considerably more effort will now be required on the parts of all concerned, to give the three buildings in the Southwest a desirable uniformity of height, scale and architectural detail in order to prevent them from becoming merely a series of isolated modern office buildings. These buildings are, of course, a group that should be inherently related architecturally because they occupy a most important section of the monumental plan of the National Capital and they are counterparts of groups of buildings already constructed or contemplated on the North side of the Mall. This is especially true in the case of Federal Office Building 10 which occupies a site opposite the National Archives, and should properly be designed to be occupied by an important Department or Agency. We will, of course, be glad to continue to work with you in trying to achieve the best possible solutions for the treatments of Federal Office Buildings 6, 8, and 10.

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Sincerely yours,

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General Services Administration
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Exhibit G